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Hammitan Gazette. GIGANTIC SCHEME

Plan to Consolidate World's Oil Interests

STANDARD OIL CO. TO CONTROL

Tarriff Bill Not Yet Out of Senate Committee.

Some Items Will Conform to M'Kinley Tariff Schedule-"Teddy" Roosevelt Appointed.

NEW YORK, April 8.—The corridors of the big Standard Oil building, No. 26 Broadway, reverberated with rumors today. One rumor had it that the Standard Oil Company had bought outright the interest of the Cudahys, the Western oil magnates, and another was the combination of two columns which that the big concern had gobbled up the Noel Bros.' Russian interests.

What seemed, after a great deal of investigation, to be the true situation in regard to the latest deal in oil is interests of the world has been brought about by the Standard Oil people.

This is the way the scheme was explained: After prolonged negotiations with the Russian magnates, Nobel Brothers, who control the Black Sea output of oil, the Standard Oll Company nduced the Russians to become a factor in a three-cornered plan to provide the world's supply. The Standard Oil Company and Cudahy Bros. of Chicago, who are the Standard Oil Company's greatest rivals, completed the membership in the triangular deal. Nobel Bros. consented to come in If Cudahy Bros. could be induced to join. Queen St. With this understanding, the Standard Oil Company made overtures to their Western rivals, with the result still in doubt

Cudahy Bros. recently acquired own-ership of the Manhattan Oil Company and made the Western concern practically independent of the Eastern com-petitor. It is understood also that the Cudahy Bros, have withheld their answer pending the action of the United States Pipe Line Company and the Producers' Association of the State of Pennsylvania, which were not invited into the deal.

It has always been supposed that over 90 per cent of the stock of the Standard Oil Company was held by the inside interests of the company. Durng the last few days, however, considerable stock has been offered in blocks of from ten to twenty-five shares each The offering is accompanied by all sorts of rumors in connection with the of the stock.

It has been stated that in the pres ent fiscal year the Standard Oil Company would declare dividends of 100 per cent. It has also been stated that the capital of the company is to be doubled and the new securities divided pro rata among the shareholders. Singularly enough, with these rumors affoat, the brokers on curb are offering small lots of stock.

DINGLEY TARIFF BILE.

enate Committee Still Deliberating Upon the Measure.

WASHINGTON, April 8.-While the Senate Finance Committee expects to omplete the consideration of the tariff bill by May 1, differences over the specific schedules are likely to delay the report until June. The wool men are preparing to make a stand on lower grades of wool, and insist on 32 per cent ad valorem. Wool worth less than ound specific duty.

The lead ore people are determined yet Aldrich and Allison intend to generally reduce rates. They want to put pine lumber back to \$1 a thousand, as in the McKinley bill, instead of \$2 as in the bill before them. They desire to scale the coal rate from 75 cents a ton to 60 cents, and to reduce the entire woolen schedule so as to make it tally in the light of lower prices now prevailing.

TO RESTRICT COMPETITION. Senator Forsker Introduces Bill to Maintain Prices.

WASHINGTON, April 5. - Senator Chandler of New Hampshire today introduced a bill in the nature of an road pooling bill. It is entitled "A bill er, has imported the first cargo of can easily overhaul anything she goes production, and authorizing combina-tions, to enable merchants, manufac-of 32,000 bags, or 3,100 tons. It came turers and producers of commodities

standing business depressions." The body of the bill declares that it shall be unlawful for different and competing merchants, manufacturers hului yesterday for the purpose of loadand other producers of commodities ing sugar.

inch are originally the subject of inerstate commerce to make any con tract against or arrangement for the division or apportionment among them

or with others in like business, of any of their gross or net earnings, or for the restriction of production in their business, or for the fixing of the prices of commodities by the order or recom mendation of representatives designated on behalf of the various parties to any contract or agreement or arrangement, or by the order or recommenda-tion of the majority of such representatives, or for the maintenance of prices of such commodities once fixed, or for the enforcement of any such contract by fines and penalties imposed upon any of the parties thereto, and each day of the continuance of the contract shall be deemed a separate

CUBANS VICTORIOUS.

Important Battle Fought With Great spanish Losses.

HAVANA, April 9 .- A big battle has been fought at San Miguel, Pinar del Rio province, between the Spanish battalion of Gerona and 1,000 insurgents led by Vidal Ducasse and Perico Delgrado. After a hand to hand fight the Spanish retired, leaving on the field their dead and wounded, and horses, arms and ammunition.

Since Maceo's time no other battle of such importance has been fought in the province. The Spanish explain that were to attack the insurgents on two sides, failed. They said that the battalion of Gerona was ordered to main tain without help a bad position to encourage the insurgents to attack, and then drive them to a certain place, at that a gigantic consolidation of the oil which the other battalion was expected to overwhelm the patriot force. The Cubans captured 200 rifles and 300,000 counds of ammunition.

An expedition has landed fifteen miles from Havana, at Punta del Indio.

DEBTS OF PACIFIC ROADS.

Senate Committee Favors the Bill Providing for a Commision. WASHINGTON, April 8.-Chairman lear of the Senate Committee on Pa rific Railroads today submitted a report on the bill reported some weeks ago providing for a commission composed of the Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary of the Interior and Attorney Ceneral, to settle the indebtedness of the Central and Western Pacific railroads growing out of the issue of subsidy bonds issued in aid of their con-struction. The report reviews the vaious acts creating the roads and aufhorizing the bonds, and the various unsuccessful efforts of late years to enact remedial legislation proposed by the committees of this and other Con The passage of the commision bill is recommended as a businesslike measure and as promising more advantageous results to the Governthan could be reached by the the properties.

NOTABLE WEDDING.

Postmaster-General Cary's Daughter is Let to the Airer. BALTIMORE, Md., April, 7 .- The marriage today of Miss Ina Catherine Gary, daughter of Postmaster General affairs of the company and the future and Mrs. Gary, to Francis E. Pegram, was one of the notable events in Baltimore society circles. Among the guests at the breakfast were Vice-President and Mrs. Hobart, the Secre- probable he will sail prior to the antary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Gage, the Secretary of War and Mrs. Alger and Miss Alger, the Secretary of Agriculture and Attor-

ney General, Governor and Mrs. Lowndes, and a number of State and city SEC WILSON'S PLANS.

He Intends Encouraging the Sugar Beet Industry.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Secretary of Agriculture Wilson intends to encourage the cultivation of the sugar beet, and will distribute gratis to farmers of the country, and particularly of the Northwest, large quantities of the beet seed. According to the Secretary's figures the United States imports \$100,-13 cents per pound shall be guarded 060,000 worth of sugar yearly, and he by a minimum rate of 6 cents per wants to encourage home industry in wants to encourage home industry in order to keep part of that sum on these shores. The soil of the Northwest is to have half a cent a pound more. And particularly well adapted, as is the climate, to the cultivation of the sugar beet, which yields as high as 25 per cent of sugar.

"Teddy" Roosevelt Appointed. today confirmed the following nominawith the McKinley bill rates, viewed tions: Theodore Roosevelt of New York to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Third Assistant Secretary of State; retary of Legation at the City of Mex- months. She has a full equipment of

abolishing competition in trade and sugar direct from Egypt that ever ar- after. direct from Alexandria and is classed as Egyptian crystals, which is equal to Secretary Gage Takes Action on the best quality of West India raw

The Mary Winkelman went to Ka-

Maine Man Selected for U.S. Minister to Hawaii.

S. S. Philadelphia Under Sealed Orders.

Didn't Take Any Passengers-More Talk About Annexation of Hawaii.

Buck of Georgia has been offered and accepted the position of Minister to the insurgents.

The war ship replied with quick-firing and six-inch guns, speedily quieting the insurgents. Japan. His nomination will be sent to Today the Crown Princess Stefani

immoral character. For a long time goods, with which the South cannot such women have been refused admis- compete. ing sentences in the penitentiary.

they can be arrested wherever found and deported. The Secretary, according, has directed Commissioner Genaverage of 22 ents per day. The hours eral Stump to make a test case in of labor are from ten to twelve per NOT YET CONFIRMED BY SENATE which the rights of immigration offi- day. cials in the premises will be clearly de-

CRETE DEFIANT.

Insurgents Fire on Austrian Warships Boats.

LONDON, April 9 .- A dispatch to the Daily News from Canen states that the Austrian war ship Crown Princess Stefani arrived yesterday at Kissamo, which is being besieged by the insurgents. As the war ship approached she holsted a flag of truce. Later she sent a boat with two soldiers to carry mails NEW YORK, April 4 .- A World for the Turkish fort. The insurgents, special from Washington says: A. E. unheeding the flag, fired on the boat.



HAROLD M. SEWALL.

leader in Georgia. foreclosure of the Government Hens on tion days and represented the Mobile bombarding the Christians. They fired (Alabama) district in Congress. He eighty shells. The rebels found the subsequently went to Georgia and was gunnery practice so good that they clerk of the Federal Court at Atlanta, ceased the fusilade on the boats until He also served as United States Mar- after they had taken the refugees on

shal of that district. It is not believed here that a Minister to Hawaii will go to Honolulu on the cruiser Philadelphia, which is ex pected to sail from San Diego on Wednesday. It is said that Harold E. Sewall, son of Arthur J. Sewall, candidate landing the refugees at Canea, started fir Vice President on the ticket with back for Kissamo to get other Moslems Bryan, has been selected for the position. Because objections may be raised to his confirmation, it is not thought

nouncement of his confirmation The statement is made that Mr. Sew. all's conversion to Republicanism is too recent to entitle him to a place of such prominence. This may be used against him in the Senate.

UNDER SEALED ORDERS

Did Admiral Beardslee Satk Out of San Diego-Provisions, Etc.

The cruiser Philadelphia will sail this afternoon for Honolulu, on an unknown mission which may make his go Union of April 8th. Sealed orders were received yesterday by Rear Admiral Beardslee, to be opened after the vessel is well at sea.

No Commissioner or Minister will liament. accompany the flagship, which leaves it to be inferred that the Admiral has of Rome elected an outspoken Republien empowered with authority to deal can, while twenty-seven Republicans with any situation that develops at Ho- were elected in districts outside the nolulu. Sealed orders are generally capital. given where it is desired to keep the destination of the vessel secret, but in this case there has been no attempt to deny that the Philadelphia was going to Honolulu. The reason for giving sealed orders is therefore unknown, but WASHINGTON, April 8,-The Senate it is conjectured that they contain the petition of Southern cotton mills equip-

at the Islands. Fenton R. McCreery of Michigan, Sec- tity of stores, calculated to last six NEW ORLEANS, April 9.-W. A. great speed as if her hull had been

SUGGESTION FOR HAWAIL.

Immigration Laws.

the Senate this week. He is about 60 sent a number of boats to town to years old and has been a Republican embark Moslems who had expressed a strong desire to leave. The insurgents Buck went South from Maine shortly again fired on the boats, whereupon all after the war, and during reconstructive war ships in the bay took part in board. The boats embarked twentyseven women, children and old men. After they started for the Austrian gun boat Sebenico, which was to take the refugees to Canea, the insurgents again red upon them. The Sebenico, after whose capture is daily threatened.

> KING HUMBERT UNPOPULAR. Roman Populace in Favor of Establishing a Republic.

LONDON, April 8.-The Times will omorrow publish a letter from its Rome correspondent announcing that Another Cotton Mill in the South. the Italian authorities suppressed a dispatch giving an account of the re- Articles of incorporation of the Avonception accorded by the populace to dale Cotton Mills have been filed by King Humbert on the opening of Par- David Triner, of Chester, Pa., and M. liament. The ground for the refusal to V. Joseph, N. E. Baker, W. J. Milner. allow its transmission was that the dispatch was untrue. The correspondtory for the Islands, says the San Die- ent reaffirms that the the King's reception by the people was of unexampled frigidity. There were frequent eries of "Long live the Republic!" as the Kinz vas driven from the Quirinal to Par-

In the recent elections one district

SOUTHERN COPPON MILLS New England Manufacturers Have Greater Advantages. BOSTON, March 28 .- The sharp com

final instructions to Admiral Beardslee ped with modern machinery, with the for his guidance in case of emergency great plants of New England, has be-The Philadelphia has 1,200 tons of come a problem for deep thought with A. L. Thomas. The remaining direct-Thomas W. Cridler of West Virginia, coal on board, and besides the regular investors in this part of the country: supplies for a year, has an extra quan- but, according to an authority on the Huntington, C. F. Crocker, W. H. Hubsubject, the North has naught to fear bard, T. E. Stillman, Russell J. Wilson, ico: Captain A. S. Crowninshield, Chief ammunition, not only for her own of the Bureau of Navigation. from it. The treasurer of one of the Charles G. Lathrop, J. C. Stubbs, N. P. Petrel. The flagship is in first-class a study of the situation, says the First Importation of Egyptian Sugar. fighting trim, though not capable of as "boom" time for Southern catton mills has passed, and that hereafter they amendment to Senator Foraker's railHenderson, a capitalist and sugar dealfastest war vessel on the Pacific, and will grow on their merits. The impetus gist at Pleasant Brook, N. Y., bought was given by the manufacturers of a small supply of Chamberlain's coston machinery, and now that has Cough Remedy. He sums up the result lost its strength. Then the price of labor is not as much of an advantage as it promised to be at the outset. If help Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a can be secured at 50 cents a day, in-stead of \$1, which has to be paid at hundreds of communities. Where ever the North, it is found that two persons WASHINGTON, April 6.—Secretary of that grade have to be hired to do Cough Remedy become known the Gage has taken steps looking to a the work which is done by one person more vigorous enforcement of the im- in the North. Another point of advantmigration laws against the admission age for the North is its moist climate, into this country of alien women of which favors the production of finer waitan Islands.

sion when their purpose in coming to The annual report of the State Com-this country was known, and in a missioner of Labor Statistics has just number of instances the persons who been received from Charlotte, N. C. It were instrumental in their coming shows that there are now 200 mills in have been convicted and are now serv- the State, with nearly 25,000 operatives men, women and children. The aver The only question now involved is age wages of skilled men is \$1 per day, whether on information received sub- and of skilled women, 67 cents. Unsequent to their arrival and admission skilled men are pald an average of 64

THE FLOOD SITUATION.

Main Volume of Water is New South of Memphis.

WASHINGTON, April 9,-Fellowing s a resume of the present flood situation in the South, and the outlook as far as can be determined by comparison with previous floods.

The main volume of water is now between Memphis and Vicksburg contained in the main channel of the Mississippl and the basins of the Yazoo and the lower St. Francis. White and Arkansas Rivers, which have been flooded by the breaking of the levees of the Mississippi. The waters from those basins must all return to the Mississippi above Vicksburg, and unless the levers on the west side of the river between the mouth of the Arkansas and the Vicksburg break must pass by the latter point to the lower

In the flood of 1890, the last great flood preceding this, and which this flood so far in the breaking of levees and regions flooded closely resembles, the river began to rise at Vicksburg from the water returning from the crevasses on April 1st and rose 2.8 feet at the rate of about 1-10th of 1 foot a day until April 25th. Notwithstanding the fact that the great crevasse at Pe-can grove, in Northeast Louisiana, above Vicksburg, allowed an immense volume of water to flow through to the Gulf without passing Vicksburg, this flood has caused numerous breaks in the levees on the Louisiana side and inundated a very large region. The entire levee system of Southeast Arkan sas and Louisiana has been greatly strengthened since that flood and especially during the past few weeks.

GREEKS SUSPECT THE CONSULATE. Fear that Military Operations are

LONDON, April 9.- The Daily News will print to morrow from its correspondent at Larissa: "The relations between the Greek authorities and the British Consulate here are becoming somewhat strained. The Consulate is accused of esplonage of the Greek millitary operations in the locality. Many persons of doubtful character have been arrested at various times as Turkish spies. There are no direct proofs against the Consulate, but there s a conviction that everything relating to the Greek Army is perfectly

known across the frontier. Nevertheless, the Turkish Consut up to today has been allowed to send regularly long cipher telegramps to the Turkish headquarters at Elassano. Ho applied yesterday to the Greek Prefect. for a passport to cross the francier to The Prefect sent him the passport, but he intimated at the same time to the Consul that it would be safer to avoid such journeys, lest he might come to grief at the hands of some Greek sentinel on the outposts who was not versed in diplomatic complaisances. The fact that the Consul has not yet started seems to show that he comprehends the full significance of this suggestion.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 25 .-Y. Anderson, Rufus N. Rhodes, B. F. Roden, Robert Jemison and B. B. Comer, of Birmingham. The capital stock is \$500,000. The location of the cotton mills will be at Avondale, a suburb of Birmingham. The mill will be of 20,000 spindles in capacity. The ompany has been organized, and the work on the erection of the mill is to be begun at once. Work will shortly be started at Cordova, Ala., near here, on a \$600,000 cotton mill, to be erected by Eastern capitalists. These mills will be among the largest in the South

Sombier's Pacific Election SAN FRANCISCO, April 7.-Julius Krutschnit, general manager of the Southern Pacific railroad, is now a director of that organization. He was elected today at the annual meeting to fill the vacancy caused by the death of ors were re-elected. The board now stands: C. P. Huntington, Henry Smith and Julius Krutschnit. The cirectors will meet to elect officers the

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